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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Carol L. Colrain et al.

Confirmation Number: 8991

Serial No.: 10/086,782

Group Art Unit: 2168

Filed: February 28, 2002

Examiner: Harold E. Dodds

For:

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Mail Stop Amendment

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2005, the shortened statutory period for which runs until February 14, 2006. In order to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the application in light of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.